

Agenda Item Number: 2005-2-4A

BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: February 8, 2005

Department: Sheriff Staff Contact: Darren White, Sheriff

John Dantis, Deputy County Manager

for Public Safety

TITLE: Special Appropriation for Enhanced DWI Officer Project

ACTION: Motion to:

- 1. Accept the DWI Officer Project grant award in the amount of \$150,000 from the New Mexico Department of Transportation.
- 2. Approve Financial Resolution **FR** -2005 increasing the FY2005 budget in the amount of \$150,000.
- 3. Authorize the County Manager to execute the Project Agreement between Bernalillo County and the State of New Mexico.

SUMMARY:

This special agreement is funded with Federal funds that are passed through to the State of New Mexico, which are transfer funds for states that have not enacted a repeat intoxicated driver law. For the purpose of this agreement the funds are to be used to fund two (2) term officers specifically to enforce DWI laws. This will not increase the County's staffing levels as they are considered term positions for one year with two additional year awards contingent upon funding. Funding will also provide for benefits and equipment excluding vehicles. The vehicles will be provided from the existing pool.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Project Agreement (2)
- 2. Financial Resolution FR -2005

FISCAL IMPACT

BC07-588800-03ON DWI Officer Project 05-AL-64-008 \$150,000

STAFF ANALYSIS SUMMARY

COUNTY MANAGER

The Sheriff Department has been very successful in securing outside funding for programs to help the community. This DWI grant will help the Sheriff Department by providing two additional officers for its DWI program. I recommend Board approval. TL 2/2/05

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

Law Enforcement presence in the community has clearly demonstrated that it is a deterrent to DWI's within Bernalillo County. This grant will provide additional resources to add deputies to the field in support of reducing further the incident of DWI's within the County. Given the tentative nature of future funds, if approved by the Commission, the County will authorize the Sheriff to add two term Deputy positions contingent on continued funding. I recommend approval for this item. J. Dantis 1/21/05

LEGAL

This is the appropriate procedure to accept the DWI Officer Project grant award. The Bernalillo County Commission can delegate the authority to the County Manager to execute the Project Agreement. TDC 1/24/05

FINANCE

Budget Acceptance of this grant from the New Mexico Department of

Transportation will allow the County to better enforce DWI

compliance and reduce the incidence of DWI occurrences. Funding will provide for two term officers for one year with two additional year

awards contingent upon sufficient appropriations. Nona Lane,

Accounting Officer 1/24/05

Purchasing No Comments, Joann Jim, Senior Buyer 1/24/05

Contracts No Comments, Joann Jim, Senior Buyer 1/24/05

Risk Management No provision of this Agreement establishes any waiver of immunity

from liability for alleged tortuous conduct of any employee of the Department or the Grantee arising from the performance of this

Agreement. David A. Baca, Risk Management. 1/24/05

ELECTED OFFICIAL/OTHERS

Sheriff's Department

The enforcement and apprehension of impaired drivers in Bernalillo County is a high priority for the Sheriff's Department. The addition of two Deputies to enforce DWI statutes will aid in the aggressive strategic plan to reduce DWI related accidents, injuries and deaths that are a result of impaired drivers. The Department supports this grant and any subsequent funding for this program. Chief Deputy David Linthicum, Commander, Operations Bureau 1/24/05